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For: DESATURASE GENES AND THEIR USE

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO COMPLY
WITH SEQUENCE LISTING REQUIREMENTS**

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Sir:

This amendment is filed in response to the Notice to Comply with Sequence Listing Requirements mailed December 17, 2001. Please charge the fee for a one-month extension of time to our Deposit Account No. 19-0733. If any other fee is due in connection with this response, please charge our Deposit Account No. 19-0733.

Please enter the following amendments. Appendix 1 is a version of the amended paragraphs, with markings to show changes made.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

(1) At page ³2, delete the paragraph at lines 17-18 and substitute the following paragraph:

B' According to the present invention, there is provided a polypeptide having desaturase activity, which comprises the amino acid sequence shown in Figure 1